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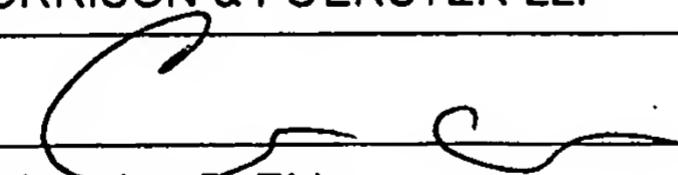
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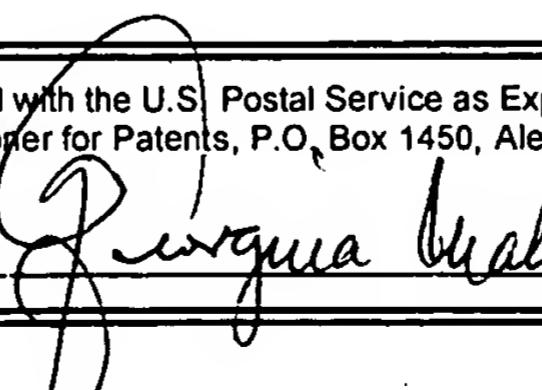
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Application No.: 10/627,371

Confirmation No.: 2455

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Art Unit: 2652

For: SINGLE REEL TAPE CARTRIDGE HAVING
GUIDE SURFACE

Examiner: B. Miller

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed February 23, 2006, which set forth a Restriction Requirement for pending claims 1-35, and for which a response is due on March 23, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The Examiner requires election of one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-11, drawn to data storage cartridge, classified in class 360, subclass 132.
- II. Claims 12-19, 29-35, drawn to a tape drive, classified in class 360, subclasss 95.
- III. Claims 20-28, drawn to a tape path, classified in class 360, subclass 93.

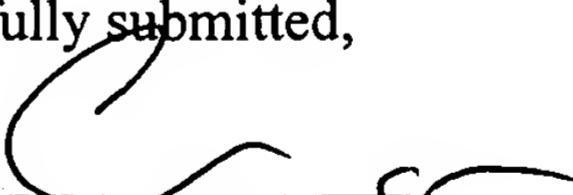
Applicant hereby elects Group II (claims 12-19, 29-35), without traverse. Applicant requests examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

Applicant expressly reserves the right under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

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